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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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SERIAL NO: NEW US PCT APPLICATION  
(Based on PCT/FR99/02191)

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FOR: DEVICE FOR CHEMICAL OR  
BIOLOGICAL ANALYSIS  
CONTAINING A PLURALITY OF  
ANALYSIS SITES ON A CARRIER,  
AND ITS METHOD OF PRODUCTION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 1-21 and add the following claims:

--22. (New) A device for chemical or biological analysis comprising a carrier containing a plurality of analysis sites able to fix a chemical or biological reagent, in which the analysis sites are formed of microdishes (23, 53) hollowed out of the carrier (21, 51), the side walls and the bottom of the microdishes and the areas of the carrier surface surrounding each microdish, called microdish edges, being made in at least one hydrophilic material (24, 26, 55, 57) and the planar areas of the carrier arranged between the areas surrounding the